[*English*]

Approval to Textile G.O. 2816 Issued by Andhra Prasdesh

5994. SHRI M.G. MAHASAMUDRAM GANANENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Textile G.O. 2816 dated November 13, 1990 issued by Andhra Pradesh Government in respect of National Textile Corporation mills has been approved by the Government; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Export Inspection Agency

5995. SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRIYAPPA:
SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA:
SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to close the Export Inspection Agency;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether some employees of the above agency have been retrenched; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) and (b) Pursuant to the Government policy of making the exporters responsible for meeting the foreign buyers' quality requirements, the work load of the offices of the Export Inspection Agencies (EIAs) may get reduced, resulting in surplus manpower.

(c) and (d). 205 surplus posts in various cadres in Export Inspection Agency, Calcutta, have been abolished and, consequently, 205 officials became surplus to the requirements. Efforts to redeploy these employees in other organisations were not successful. Hence, it was decided to retrench the surplus manpower. However, 162 Export Inspection Agency, Calcutta, employees expressed their willingness for their redeployment in the Export Inspection Agencies at Bombay, Cochin, Delhi and Madras. Accordingly, posting orders of these officials were issued by Director Export Inspection Council, on 6th August, 1991 and 27.1.92.

[*Translation*]

Recovery of Excise Duty for cement Factories in Maharashtra

5996. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of central excise duty recovered from cement factories in Maharashtra during each of the last two years;

(b) the amount of central excise duty yet to be recovered; and

(c) the number of excise duty cases pending in courts at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) The amount of central excise duty recovered from cement factories in Maharashtra during each of the last two years is as follows:-

1989-90	...	Rs. 66.82 Crores
1990-91	...	Rs. 84.02 Crores

(b) and (c). There is no arrears of central excise duty or any case pending in courts relating to any cement factory located in Maharashtra.

Loans to Wholesale Traders

5997. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR:
SHRI DHARAMPAL SINGH MALIK:
SHRI GAYA PRASAD KORI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the details of the loans sanctioned by the banks in each State to the wholesale traders during each of the last three years upto 31st March, 1992, bank-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): The existing data reporting system from banks does not generate State-wise information regarding loans sanctioned by various banks to the wholesale traders. However, the banks' advances to the wholesale traders during June 1988, June 1989 and March 1990 (latest available) are indicated in the following table: